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MARCH SHIPMENTS SHOW GREAT INCREASE IN COAL PRODUCTION

Almost One Million Bushels Per Day Is Record At Lock No. 4

LOCK CLOSED FOR TWO DAYS

The activities of Lock No. 4 for the month of March, as filed by Superintendent Sweeney on Monday, show the following shipments:

Down stream—Lockings, 539; steamers, 386; boats and barges, 1759; other craft, 34; bushels of coal, 25,991,000; bushels of coke, 1,658,000; stone, 333 perch; lumber, 1000 cubic feet; merchandise, 40 tons.

Up-stream—Lockings, 522; steamers, 383; boats and barges, 1739; other craft, 41; other products, 100 tons; sand, 36,000 bushels gravel; 66,000 bushels; stone, 225 perch; timber, 4,000 cubic feet; lumber 43,000 feet; merchandise, 31 tons. Rainfall, 1.72 inches.

A comparison with the coal shipments of March, 1917, shows that the increase for 1918 was away above that of last year, in fact, almost double that of the preceding year. Last year the total shipments were 16,549,000 bushels of coal, and 65,000 bushels of coke.

In 1877, forty-one years ago, the shipments of coal through Lock No. 4 for the month of March were 2,300,700 bushels, on which tolls were collected to the amount of \$6,499.34. For the entire year of 1877 the shipments of coal through No. 4 were 14,440,200 bushels, on which the tolls amounted to \$49,061.51.

It will thus be seen that in March, 1918, the shipments of coal and coke through Lock No. 4 were almost twice as great as for the entire year of 1877.

The past month possibly establishes a record, as the lock was only open for business 29 days on account of high water, while the mines of the upper pools were idle for a longer period. Had they been operating full time for the entire month it is safe to assume that the shipments would have been over thirty million bushels.

During the month two new steamers made their appearance in the local towing trade. The Transit, brought from lower river points, and the Carbon, recently rebuilt by the Pittsburgh Coal company. Before the summer is over the local towing fleet is expected to be increased by some of the finest towing steamers on western waters.

MARGUERITE CLARK AT COYLE THEATRE TODAY

Today at the Coyle theatre Marguerite Clark will appear in "The Seven Swans." This is Miss Clark's latest and best production. In the Mail of yesterday it was announced as appearing Monday this was an error as the picture is at the Coyle today.

Majestic Theatre Today

Doris Kenyon in "The Great White Trail" an epic of the Arctic Also a Good Comedy

THE DAY FOR ECONOMY IS NOW

No one can prophesy accurately just what the future holds for us—so it behooves each and every one of us to **SAVE**.

An account at this bank is an excellent and guaranteed investment and pays 4 per cent

The First National Bank
CHARLEROI, PA.

Special Train Went Direct to Camp Lee

Joe T. S. Cowan, secretary of the registration board of the fourth district, accompanied the draftees from Charleroi to Pittsburgh Monday afternoon. He went along in a supervisory capacity, assisting the Captains of the contingents from districts four and five to get their transportation matters satisfactorily settled.

The train bore the draftees from District 3 of Fayette county, which entrained at Brownsville, and consisted of 59 men from Belle Vernon, Fayette City and Brownsville; the men from District 4 of Washington county, 49 men, District 5 of Washington county, 63 men; the registrants from McKeesport district No.

2, 61 men, who boarded the train at Dravosburg, and the men from District No. 8 of Allegheny county, 79 men, who entrained at Duquesne.

The train, a special, left Pittsburgh at 4:10, and went by way of Altoona, where the men took supper, through Washington City, Richmond, where breakfast was to be served, Petersburg, and then Camp Lee, which the train was expected to reach at 7 o'clock this morning. However, the train was 40 minutes in leaving Pittsburgh, and it may have been it was a little late in reaching its destination.

The same train which carried the men from Charleroi ran through solidly to camp without change.

VIKING'S DANCE A BRILLIANT SUCCESS

On Monday evening Might's auditorium was the scene of one of the most brilliant social successes of the present or several past seasons, when the Viking club held their annual Easter Dance. The commodious hall was transformed into a place of beauty by the decorations, which were in the Viking club colors, blue and white. Music was furnished by the Parker Popular Players of Columbus. The orchestra was placed in the center of the floor behind a latticed enclosure, which was decorated with palms and the prevailing colors. In the north end of the hall the Allied flags were neatly arranged. The balcony was made to represent a cabaret scene and entertainment was furnished from this place by Joe Torrito, Charleroi's talented young accordionist, and Miss Katherine Goldsmith, entertained with Hawaiian dances. The affair was attended by about 125 couples from Charleroi and vicinity. Horace Nutt was chairman of the committee arranging the dance and William Peggs was the assistant.

Those are certainly win-the-war Methodists who at their Philadelphia conference meeting enthusiastically cheered the expressed opinion that the making of munitions on Sunday would be the most practical kind of praying in these times.

ready for operation within a few days

The most recent of operations in that vicinity, however, is the reopening of the old Crombie mine, located at the west end of Donora borough. This mine was "worked out" about twenty years ago, but Thomas Crombie, who operates a mine here in Charleroi, and who is one of the owners of this property, in conjunction with his brother Robert, is again opening the old workings and expects to regain a considerable quantity of coal which had been left in the old "ribs."

DRAFTEES WERE GIVEN SWEATERS

Sixty-one young men who left from Charleroi, Speers, Roscoe and other points included in the district of the Charleroi Chapter of the American Red Cross, were given sweaters on Monday before their departure for Camp Lee. The distribution was made by Miss Minnie Richardson at the Washington Avenue Presbyterian church Monday noon, after the men had been entertained at dinner. Practically all of the men in the contingent, 115 in number, were remembered by their home communities with sweaters and comfort kits. The boys were due to reach Richmond in time for breakfast this morning, and a few hours later were expected to report to the commandant at Camp Lee.

WILLIAM THOMAS YOUNGMAN

William Thomas Youngman, formerly of Charleroi, died at the Park Avenue Hospital, Chicago, Ill., April 1st, at 12:30 p. m., in his 32nd year, of pleuro-pneumonia. Mr. Youngman was a resident of Charleroi for 15 years, leaving nine years ago to accept a position with the Sharp Partridge Glass company, of Chicago, with whom he was employed until the time of his death. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Florence Hill Youngman and three children; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Youngman, of Knoxville, Pa. five brothers, Edward B., of Braddock, Thomas W. of Toronto, Ohio, George D. and Harry of Charleroi and Charles of Knoxville, and two sisters, Mrs. Wm. Wade, of New York city, and Mrs. Clarence Lewis, of Bellevue, Pa. His remains will be brought to the home of his brother George, 707 McKean avenue, where funeral services will be held, notice of which will be made later.

Charles R. Fielder, a member of Company A, 312th Engineers, in training at Camp Pike, Little Rock, Arkansas, is home on a furlough.

Coyle Theatre Thursday

Mary Pickford in her latest Artcraft picture "Amarilly Of Clothesline Alley" Children 10c Adults 20c

You Need a New Flag

Flags that have been out all winter will need replacing. We quote the following prices on Flags;

Invincible Bunting Flags

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4X6 foot Invincible Flag,	\$3.50
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We have a cheaper grade of soft cotton printed flag, that the 4x6 foot size sells at \$2.00 and the 5x8 foot size at \$2.75.

MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER O'NEIL INSPECTS HIGHWAY TO ALLENPORT

TIMBER WORK COMPLETED FOR INNER GUIDE WALL

Wood work for the new guide wall now being constructed for the inner lock at No. 4 is completed and in place, and will now be filled with stone, preparatory to the beginning of the concrete work. Stone for filling the crib will be brought from Maple Glen, in the fifth pool, to which point a large force of laborers were sent on Monday, to load this material. The steamer Slackwater is expected to arrive this evening with the first consignment.

Admits Necessity of Having Road Improved at Very Earliest Date

IMPROVEMENT COST VERY HIGH

J. Denny O'Neil, Commissioner of Highways for the State of Pennsylvania, in company with J. C. Sutherland, of Washington, paid a brief visit to Charleroi Monday evening. The purpose of Mr. O'Neil's visit, according to his statement, was to make a personal inspection of the highway leading from Charleroi south through Speers, Dunlevy, Allenport and other local boroughs. Mr. O'Neil was met by a local committee composed of John O. Watson, county commissioner, Thomas P. Sloan, R. H. Rush and Henry Swickie, which acted as his escort over the highway in question.

The start was made a little after 5 o'clock, in Mr. O'Neil's car, the party going as far as Stockdale. The committee took special pains to point out to Mr. O'Neil the importance of the highway, particularly in view of the great improvements now being made at Allenport and Stockdale, and the absolute necessity that immediate steps be taken to relieve present conditions. After experiencing the numerous jolts and noting conditions as they exist, Mr. O'Neil was led to admit when he reached Allenport that the contention of the committee was well taken, and that the road ought to be improved. However, he stated that the extreme high cost of construction at the present time made it almost impossible for the Department to see its way clear to make any improvements, citing as an example the Pittsburgh pike leading from Washington down through Canonsburg. Bids were invited recently for the construction of the unimproved portion of this road, which when opened showed the cost to be something over \$50,000 a mile. This figure was considered exorbitant and new tenders will be asked for.

However, Mr. O'Neil promised to take the matter of the local improvement under advisement immediately upon his return to Harrisburg, and that if the State could see its way clear to have it done at what is considered a reasonable figure, it would be proceeded with. While receiving no definite promise, the committee is satisfied it showed the Commissioner the absolute necessity of the improvement, and that favorable action will ultimately result.

CHARLEROI DOCTOR DRAFTED FOR SERVICE

Dr. M. D. Greenfield, chiropractor, with offices in the Might building, has been drafted for military service from McKeesport, and expects to leave on Friday for Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va. Eventually he expects to be attached to the medical corps. His place in Charleroi will be taken by Dr. Weddell.

MOVEMENT TO CLOSE EARLY

Already a Fact in Monongahela, And Other Towns May Follow

MET WITH LITTLE OPPOSITION

In accordance with the plans of the Chief Executives' Association, formed last week at Donora, the merchants of Monongahela City, or the greater majority of them, have agreed to close their stores at 6 o'clock every evening during the week, except Monday and Saturday evenings, for the coming spring and summer.

When the project was broached last week the idea met with great favor on the part of most of the merchants, while a few of them had to be convinced by argument that the movement was not only for the betterment of the storekeeper, but likewise was a patriotic undertaking for the conservation of light and fuel. It is said that one merchant is standing out against the movement, although he may see the error of his way and agree to go along.

Merchants in Monongahela, like those in other towns, have for years been trying to inaugurate an early closing movement, but they always found sufficient opposition to make it an impossibility. However, as a war measure it seems to find favor this year, and being once established, may always be maintained.

It is expected that Donora, Charleroi and other towns in the valley will take up the movement, with a view of giving merchants an opportunity to enjoy the full benefits of the daylight conservation plan now in effect.

NOTICE—Gardens for rent. Garden plots at McMahan Homestead, Tenth and Crest avenue. Address, Blanch R. McMahan, 315 Fallowfield avenue or phone Bell 526 J.

245 tip

Mrs. G. May Hill of Munhall visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McDermott of Crest avenue.

Coyle Theatre Today

Marguerite Clark in "The Seven Swans" Children 10c Adults 15c

SPRING ANNOUNCEMENT

This establishment wishes to announce to its patrons and the public that it is showing the most comprehensive stocks of superb, splendid Gold Jewelry, Silverware, Cut Glass, Hand Painted China, Watches, Precious Stones, etc., that it ever has had the pleasure to display.

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THE MONEY NEED

Money will buy most things upon this weary old earth, directly or indirectly. It is a power of tremendous potency, of immeasurable influence. It has been responsible for most of the momentous incidents in the purely personal history of mankind. It has been the animating inspiration in most paths of progress. And until there is a radical change in human nature it will continue so to be.

In the final money will play a paramount part in the winning of this world war. Much has been said about this and that particular thing winning the war; food, fuel, ships, armaments, munitions, and men. All will play their part, but the khaki-clad sons of the Allies must stage the actual combats and do the real fighting. It will be the loss of life, the exhaustion of fighting forces, physical and material, that will lose it. The purely human sacrifices beyond further endurance.

But it will be money, simply and solely money in the abstract, that will supply the fighters with the sinews of the struggle. Without money the whole machine would break down quickly. Cut off its money supply and either of the opposing forces would disintegrate in a month. It would be Russia all over again.

And this is the simple explanation of Uncle Sam's present money need. He must assist the Allied armies, the Allied nations that are not so financially strong as we are. There must be no hesitation, no halting, no breaking down of the machine. That would spell disaster instant.

But it all means billions upon billions. Money in amounts far and away beyond our erstwhile dreams or conceptions. It means tribute levied, voluntarily or enforced, upon every money-maker in the country.

IT MEANS THAT YOU MUST FURNISH YOUR PART OF IT.

Liberty Bonds are the collecting medium.

And we must dutifully buy them.

WORK FOR THE FIRING SQUAD

If the charge made in the United States Senate on Thursday that spies and traitors were evidently at work in some of the aeroplane factories, and weakened machines in process of manufacture to such an extent that they will not stand up under strain when put to use, is true, then the time has come for drastic action on the part of the United States.

At the aviation fields a number of accidents have taken place, in which men qualifying for the flying squadrons have been killed. These so-called accidents have been occurring with great frequency, and should be thoroughly investigated. The machines are supposed to be of high grade; the men operating them have been given considerable training, and it is not likely that all of these deaths, which have occurred on every field, are due alone to some negligence or lack of skill on the part of the pilot.

In the Senate a piece of steel was exhibited, which had been saved in two and then cleverly put together with lead and all painted over to hide the defect. This piece of steel would not stand any great strain, and consequently would break when put to a test. This would undoubtedly cause an accident to the machine and possibly cost the aviator his life.

Such work is being done by traitors. They should be ferreted out and if necessary, the aeroplane plants should be taken over by the government, to be run by officials whose patriotism is unquestioned. Then the employees of these places should be weeded out, for it is said there are too many employed in such places of German antecedents. It is time for action.

NEW STORY OF THE DELUGE

A new Babylonian account of the Creation, the Flood and the Fall, translated from stone tablets unearthed a few years ago at Nippur near the site of ancient Babylon, in some particulars varies from, but on the whole is strikingly similar to the account in Genesis. It is said to have been written about 2,500 years before Christ. This would mean that it existed at least several centuries before Abraham emigrated from "Ur

of the Chaldees" and fully a thousand years before Moses wrote the Law.

It might be established that the Babylonian account is older than the Biblical and still not it proved that the latter was taken from the former. The similarity of variation suggests rather a common origin in symbolical writings pertaining to a prehistoric religion. That there were prehistoric religions and theologians can hardly be doubted. The oldest inscriptions and writings of ancient empires such as Egypt and Babylon bear internal evidence of an origin in the sacred lore of still earlier periods. The Bible is not of less value of authority because its first chapters resemble ancient symbolical writings which seem to descend from a prehistoric time of the world's early prime when a simple and comparative absence of strife and material gain inclined men more to spiritual contemplation than to the struggle of earth.

FICTION FAVORITES

A poll conducted by a British periodical just before the beginning of the great war, with a view to ascertaining popular opinion in England on the greatest living novelist, showed a great preeminence for Thomas Hardy and a marked decline for Kipling, leaving the veteran author of the famous Essex novels more than three times as many votes as H. G. Wells, who stood second on the list, more than four times as many as Joseph Conrad, more than nine times as many as Henry James, and twenty-seven times as many as Arnold Bennett and George Moore, who tied for fifth place. J. M. Barrie took sixth place and Kipling the seventh with just one-twentieth of the number of Hardy's votes. Discriminating taste would hardly seem to have entered to a large extent in a poll placing Marie Corelli above William De Morgan, yet a poll giving first place to Thomas Hardy, third place to Joseph Conrad and fourth place to Henry James commands respect.

Tough not one of these three may be said to appeal to the million, each is great in his own way. Whether British readers, after the shocks of nearly four years of war, would still vote so overwhelmingly for Thomas Hardy whose field is restricted to the quiet English countryside may be open to question, but perhaps a majority of discriminating Americans even now think that Hardy excelled all his younger contemporaries in his grasp of character and life, though inferior to Conrad in the matter of style and quite innocent of any of the fascinating world-jugglery of Henry James.

THE RE-MAKING OF MEN

One hundred and fifteen men from the eastern section of Washington county, many of them from our home community were sent to Camp Lee on Monday, there to begin their training which will eventually result in the re-making of these draftees who have been called into service. They were a splendid lot of men, clean looking and all of them well behaved. Many of them were of foreign parentage, and many of them were born across the seas, but now they are all Americans, going to prepare themselves to fight for the principles we hold most dear.

All of the men were in the most excellent spirits, and accepted the turn of events which landed them in the camp with the best possible grace. Of course they left many sad hearts behind, but many of them will return to us, greater, better, broader men than when they left. They will have fought a world vision in the mighty struggle in which they will take no conspicuous part, and out of which we all expect them to return victorious.

They will be in excellent hands. The United States government will give them the best of care. Food, shelter, clothing, medical attention, all the conveniences of life, will be provided these men while they are transforming themselves from peaceful citizens into fighting men of the republic. As we have been proud of them on their departure, we will be equally elated at any success which they attend their endeavors while in the army, and we will be joyous when they shall be returned to us, when the great principles for which they go forth to battle shall be acclaimed victorious.

INCREASING TONNAGE

Comparisons are not always odious, but by means of them we are enabled to observe the progress of our development. Today we print the monthly report of the amount of coal shipped through Lock No. 4 for the month of March. Not only does it show a great increase over the shipments of 1916, but the totals are far in excess of the entire shipment of coal made from the fourth pool in the year 1877, forty-one years ago.

THE THREAT TO WORLD SAFETY

By Melville Davidson Post

That appalling damnation—war, without humanity, a war for a whole people in a prehistoric monster has descended on the world.

No human institution, fine or noble, is any longer safe.

Invasions from a malignant star, or fabled beasts breaking up through the crust of the earth, could not more awfully threaten us.

Every energy of every civilized nation must be assembled for resistance.

An armed dollar is an un-used weapon.

How small we face enslaved nations, and how small the forlorn women if in this hour of peril, we do not have in our house a weapon that might have helped to save the world.

At that time the development of the Pittsburgh vein of coal in the fourth pool was the only well under way, and the total for that year amounted to 14,449,200 bushels, the total of which amounted to \$49,051.51, being collected in those days on all coal and other shipments by the Monongahela Navigation Co. owner of the improvements on the Monongahela and which was bought out twenty years later by the United States government.

The report for March, 1918, shows what a wonderful development and expansion has taken place during these years. Other developments on the way in the upper pools of the river will materially increase the production of that section of the valley, which for the past few years has been feeling the stimulus of industrial activity to a material extent. The totals hoped for by the government officials that the Monongahela will reach twenty millions of tons in a year will soon be realized.

In ten years two men in control of the hat-bois privileges of large New York hotels and restaurants have saved a quarter of a million dollars. Moral: hang up your own hat and buy tariff stamps.

The Kaiser's public invitation to neutral correspondents to witness his great spring drive on the west probably means that there won't be any, but nevertheless the allied lines need to keep their eyes open.

Mr. Hoover's influence seems to have extended even to the new Rivers and Harbors bill, which is conspicuously lacking in the usual amount of pork.

It is stated that, with improved transporting facilities, the troops are going across faster than at any previous time.

KERFOOT W. DALY WAS ELECTED PRESIDENT

At the annual meeting of the Washington County Automobile Club, held at Washington Monday evening, Kerfoot W. Daly, of Charleroi, was elected President for the ensuing year. Ben G. Binns, of Donora, was made a member of the board of governors.

Burn Locomotive Cinders.

There has recently been completed at Frankfurt-on-the-Main, Germany, what is said to be the first large railroad power station to be operated entirely on locomotive cinders. Three boilers are fired by automatic underfeed stokers and burn cinders alone or mixed with coal-dust. The cinders are brought on a traveling electric crane directly into the boiler room. Steam produced with this fuel is employed to drive two turbines that generate current for the light and power systems in the station.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

Growth of Tower of London.

A royal palace, consisting of what is now known as the "white tower," appears to have been the beginning of the Tower of London. It was commenced by William the Conqueror, who, in 1066, surrounded it with walls and a broad ditch. Several succeeding kings made additions to it, and King Edward III erected the church. In 1628 the old white tower was rebuilt, and in the reign of Charles II a great number of additions were made to it. The new buildings in the tower were completed in 1650.

All Can Do a Little.

We all live in a world which is full of ignorance and misery, and the plain duty of each and all of us is to try to make the little corner he can influence somewhat less ignorant, somewhat less miserable than it was before he entered it.—Huxley.

This Is Not A

"Democratic War"

The war in which America is engaged is a war for democracy, but it is not a "Democratic" war in the narrow sense in which our politicians use the term. For this reason, it is to be regretted that President Wilson has not yet reached the stage of development when he can forget that he is the "leader of a great party" and remember always that he is the leader of a united nation at war. His letter to the Democrats of New Jersey betrays the spirit of enlightened leadership, but that it is addressed solely to members of one party betrays it of that level of excited partisanship to which it might properly have arisen. The President has never seemed to recognize the fact that in making and keeping his administration a strictly party one he is giving himself of an element of

irretrievable strength. He is surely not aware that in more than one crisis in his dealings with the Congress which is controlled in both branches by his party he has had to contend with a divided support and that but for the loyal patriotism of the "opposition" he would have met a certain defeat or would at least have been seriously hampered in the performance of his task. If it be true, as he writes, that "the old party organs have lost their significance and will mean nothing to the voter of the future," would it not be the part of true and statesmanlike leadership to seek the hearty co-operation of all right-thinking men instead of striving to maintain, in the face of a foreign foe, partisan divisions which he admits have lost their old meaning?—Philadelphia Ledger.

VAPOR BATHS IN LAPLAND

Writer's Strained Experience of Cleansing Process Finishes With Being Basted.

In Wide World Frank Hedges' Barter describes a vapor bath in the land of the Lapps. He says:

The bathhouse is a small wooden structure generally situated some way from the dwelling house. It is divided into two compartments, one to undress in, the other contains the oven which produces the steam. The oven is arched with large stones or pebbles, and heated by a fire placed beneath. Undressing in the first room, one enters the heated compartment. After a short rest on a wooden form or bench, which contains a place for the head, the attendants come in and bathe you. Cold water is thrown over the stones and the hissing vapor soon sends up a cloud of steam. The higher you sit from the floor the greater the heat. As more water is thrown over the red-hot stones the vapor becomes so intense that one can hardly breathe. We were soon gasping for breath and covered with a profuse perspiration which is shed from every pore of the skin. Hanging up in the room were tender branches or twigs in a green state and retaining their leaves. Dipping these in water, the attendant began lashing and whipping me across the legs, shoulders, loins and back, till my body seemed quite red with the switching. The basting over, I was then washed with a soft flannel covered with soap, after which a jug of the coldest water was thrown over my head and body.

Dynamiting the Clams.

The little pholas or boring clam is a great delicacy on the Pacific coast. Its meat is juicy and tender and is excellent in chowder. Consequently, fishermen are not content to dislodge the clams slowly with pick and crowbar. They use dynamite, one blast of which dislodges hundreds of clams, according to the Popular Science Monthly.

Life's Inspirations.

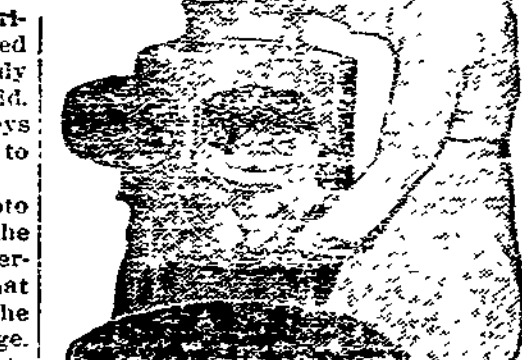
There is no greater joy than the feeling that some act of ours has inspired another to be braver and stronger. One of the beautiful things about right doing is that it is an inspiration to others. No life is a real success which has not scattered inspiration along the way.

AMERICAN NAVY ELIMINATES WASTE



SLIMES BACON ON BATTLESHIP

CARIES in the American navy are caused by the best fed body of men in the world. In the ship's galleys every effort is made to eliminate waste. In the upper photo one of the cooks on the North Dakota is operating a meat slicer that cuts bacon with the least possible wastage. Fat is fuel for fighters. Bacon is badly needed in the allied armies and navies. The allied needs in pork products are 150,000,000 pounds monthly, three times as much as before the war. Another wasteful eliminator on the North Dakota is the potato peeler, shown in the lower photo. Nothing is lost except the actual potato skin. There is a sufficient quantity of po-



HOW THEY PEEL POTATOES ON BATTLESHIP

tatoes in America for greater use in every home and for all needs of army and navy. Eat more potatoes, eat less wheat.

HIS OWN STORY HOLDS A THRILL

Well-Known Pittsburgher is Qualified to Speak for Multitude.

E. C. Byers, of 347 Pearl street, a well-known Pittsburgh butcher, says: "I had constant spells of choking and coughing because of the secretions of mucus in my nose and throat, which I eventually swallowed as I slept and which finally affected my stomach. I would wake four or five times a night because of the choking sensations. Rarely did I ever get a night's rest."

"When I decided to take a remedy my friend said: 'You will not make a mistake if you try Tanlac. I believed him. I have used two bottles and Tanlac has helped me so much that I just want to tell every one what it had done for me. My catarrh has practically gone entirely. I sleep much better and my sense of taste and smell that were badly affected have improved wonderfully. My appetite, too, has come back and I feel like I could eat eight or nine times a day. The pain over my eyes and in other parts of my head has disappeared. I get up in the mornings with a clear head, and not all stuffed up and dizzy as formerly.' Tanlac is now sold at Piper's Pharmacy."

Soon Petrograd will once more be St. Petersburg, unless they decide to make it Wilhelmsfusschemel (footstool.)



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After shopping or after a hard day are quickly relieved with Sloan's Liniment. So easy to apply, no rubbing, and so promptly effective. Cleaner and more convenient than musky plasters and ointments. It does not stain the skin, or clog the pores. Every home should have a bottle handy for sprains, strains, lame back, rheumatic pains and stiff, sore muscles and joints. Generous sized bottles at all drug stores.



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- 16 R House Wash. ave. 3200
- 6 R House Wash. ave. 10000
- 10 R House Wash. ave. 6500
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WHEN CHILDREN CRY OUT

And are feverish and don't sleep well, are constipated and have symptoms of worms; mothers will find quick relief in Mother's Own Sweet Powders for Children, the standard remedy for 50 years. They are easy to give and children like them. They cleanse the stomach, act gently on the bowels and break up colds. Relieve headaches and teething disorders. We have 10,000 testimonials. Ask your druggist and be sure to get Mother's Own Sweet Powders for Children, 25c.

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ARGENTINE ARRIVALS SHORT.

Meat Supply Here Considerably Enlarged — Food Administration, However, Warns Against Waste.

The allies have made further and increased demands for breadstuffs, these enlarged demands being caused to some degree by shortage in arrivals from the Argentine. It is, therefore, necessary for the U. S. Food Administration to urge a still further reduction in the consumption of bread and breadstuffs generally if we are to meet our export necessities. The Food Administration has issued a statement explaining the situation in detail, particularly the reasons which lead it, for the purpose of centering effort for the time being upon the cereal situation to relax temporarily the restrictions on meat consumption.

Experience shows, this statement says, that the consumption of breadstuffs is intimately associated with the consumption of meat. For various reasons our supplies of meat for the next two or three months are considerably enlarged, and we can supply the allies with all of the meat products which transportation facilities render possible and at the same time some what increase our own consumption. In these circumstances the Food Administration considers it wise to relax the voluntary restrictions on meat consumption to some extent with a view to further decreasing bread consumption.

Conservation of food must be adjusted to meet requirements from time to time, for neither production nor allied demands are constant factors. Nor can any of these factors be anticipated for long periods in advance in the disturbed conditions in which we at present live. While the world situation is not one that warrants any relaxation in the efforts to eliminate waste or to relax economy in food, the Administration desires to secure better adjustment in food balances.

So long as the present conditions continue the only special restrictions we ask are the beefless and porkless Tuesday.

The meatless meal and the porkless Saturday are no longer asked.

The farmers of the United States are responding to the national call to increase hog production. Their increase, to all appearances, is being attained more rapidly. Of more immediate importance, however, are several complex factors which have effected an immediate increase in meat supplies.

The transportation shortage before the government took over the railroads, the bad weather in January and early in February, the large percentage of immature corn in the last harvest and the necessity of feeding this corn as rapidly as possible to save it from decay, have not only resulted in backing up the animals—particularly hogs—on the farms for a longer period of feeding, but have resulted in a great increase in their average weight and will result, with improved transportation conditions, which already appear, in larger than normal arrivals at market for the next two or three months. The weight of hogs coming to the market for the past two weeks indicates an increase in weight of from an average of 203 pounds last year to the almost unprecedented average of 232 pounds, or a net increase in their meat value of over 15 per cent. This is a distinct addition to the nation's meat supply. It therefore now seems certain that we have such enlarged supplies for at least some months to come, that we can not only increase our exports to the allies to the full extent of their transportation facilities, but at the same time can properly increase our domestic consumption.

The response of the public to our requests for reduced consumption of meat during the past few months has been most gratifying, and this service alone has enabled the government during this period to provide such supplies as transportation to the allies permitted.

The Administration also suggests that in those parts of the country where the old fashioned home preservation of pork is still the custom, this practice should be extended at the present time, as it will relieve the burden upon transportation to and from the packing houses and is economically sound as saving the cost of packing operations and at the same time will provide home supplies of pork to last over the months of decreased supplies.

The Food Administration desires to repeat that it does not want to give the impression that these are times when simplicity and moderation of living are not critically necessary, but that its sole desire is to secure an adjustment between our different food supplies and meet changing conditions from time to time and to keep the public fully and frankly advised of its position with the full confidence and reliance that whenever it becomes necessary renewed appeals for saving will meet the same loyal response as in the past.

Saccharine.

As none of it is absorbed by the blood, diabetics are allowed to use saccharine instead of sugar. But saccharine has been accused of causing grave troubles to the digestion and it has even been indicted as a cause of cancer. The best medical opinion, however, acquits it of these charges, for there are many diabetics who have used it regularly for many years without any ill effects. In France saccharine may not be given to infants, the acid and the salt without a doctor's prescription.

His Opinion.

Doctor Eaton, a former president of Madison University, was beloved by the students. One day a student who had spoken in debate asked him what he thought of the effort. The doctor looked at him and then said slowly, "Edward, if you would pluck a few feathers from the wings of your imagination and stick them in the tail of your judgment, you would make better speeches."—Christian Register.

Coal in Caucasus Region.

While peasants are recently digging a well near the village of Tzaridvor, in the Bessen valley, in the Caucasus, coal was found 16 feet from the surface; the vein, however, was but 2.25 feet in thickness. Enough coal has already been found in this particular locality to supply the entire neighborhood, and in all probability there are other and greater deposits not yet located.

Three Kinds of Sweet Odors.

Sweet odors are of three kinds—the floral, the animal and the balsamic. The first group includes all those derived from sweet-smelling flowers and plants; the second, those derived from musks and resins; the third, those derived from leaves and gums. The odor, or essential oil of perfume, is obtained in three several ways—distillation, maceration and enfleurage.

Forced to Assert Himself.

Harry's mother dressed in her new suit, furs, and hat, and took him for a visit to the neighbors. Of course, they were glad to see her and chatted away five minutes, no one noticing Harry, who was standing just inside the door. He watched them for a moment more, then leisurely strode up and said: "Here's ole Harry." He was the attention of the men.

"Sooner."

"Sooner" is the correct comparative of the adverb soon, as soon, sooner, soonest. The word occurs in the Bible and in Shakespeare. In the early settlement of the territories it was used as a slang term to designate persons who tried to pre-empt land before it was legally open to entry. That was an improper use of a correct word.

Preparing Packages.

When you have packages that are to travel a long distance sew them up in strong unbleached muslin over the wrapping paper. The address should be written on a tag, securely sewed to cotton cloth. This is a sure preventive of broken boxes during delivery.

Tunisian Products.

Tunis has always been chiefly an agricultural country—cereals, wine, and olives being the principal products. There are also numerous flocks and herds of live stock. The native populations of the south live on the products of their date palms and fruit trees.

Much Unconscious Lying.

In these days there is more prevarication, or fibbing, or misrepresentation, or whatever you care to call it, because we have come to feel that we can stretch the truth and still be truthful. There is a lot of lying that is unconscious lying.

Portrait of Dante.

A cable from Rome says that "during alterations in the old church of St. Agostino in Rimini, Italy, very important frescoes of the fourteenth century, one of which contains a beautiful portrait of Dante, were discovered."

Teacher's Rebuke.

"What are you doing here?" said the teacher. "I was watching the petals of this rose unfold," said the child. "Don't you know you ought to be in the house studying your botany lesson?" said the teacher.

Time for Seeing Appointed.

Our eyes are holden that we cannot see the things that stare us in the face until the hour arrives that the mind is ripened; then we behold them and the time we saw them not is like a dream.—Emerson.

Be Explicit.

Many a salesman loses a sale because he expects to be understood. A salesman must not expect anything; he should be explicit if he don't want to be disappointed.

Poor Human Nature.

"A lot o' men," said Uncle Eben, "is fairly successful, only dey's jes' natchelly so dissatisfied dey won't admit it."

Optimistic Thought.

There is a sufficient recompense in the very consciousness of a noble deed.

GROCERS HELP IN 50-50 PLAN

SIGN PLEDGE TO CARRY OUT FOOD ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM.

POST CARDS IN STORES.

Explain New Wheat Ruling to Thousands of Customers—Insures Greater Food Saving.

Grocers of the nation have accepted enthusiastically the 50-50 basis for the purchase of wheat flour and are doing their utmost to explain the new regulation to the housewife. This ruling by the U. S. Food Administration requires each purchaser of wheat flour to buy one pound of wheat flour or one pound of assorted, for every pound of wheat flour. It was necessary to restrict the use of wheat flour in order that the allies and our fighting forces abroad might be assured of an adequate supply of wheat to meet their vital needs. This supply must come from our savings because we have already sent our normal surplus.

Wheat saving pledge cards were forwarded by the Food Administration to all retail food merchants, and these are being signed and posted in stores throughout the country. This card states, "We pledge ourselves loyally to carry out the Food Administration program. In accordance with this order we will not sell any wheat flour except where the purchaser buys an equal weight of one or more of the following, a greater use of which in the home will save wheat:

"Cornmeal, corn flour, edible corn starch, hominy, corn grits, barley flour, potato flour, sweet potato flour, soy bean flour, fetterina flour and meals, rice, rice flour, oatmeal, rolled oats and buckwheat flour."

Some confusion has resulted on the part of the consumer in construing this "50-50" ruling to mean that an equal amount in value of substitutes must be purchased with wheat flour. This is a mistaken idea. The ruling states that the consumer in purchasing flour shall "buy at the same time an equal weight of other cereals."

One exception to this ruling is concerning graham flour and whole wheat flour, which may be sold at the ratio of three pounds to five pounds of wheat flour. This provision is made because approximately 25 per cent more of the wheat berry is used in the manufacture of these flours than standard wheat flour.

Another exception is that concerning mixed flours containing less than 50 per cent of wheat flour, which may be sold without substitutes. Retailers, however, are forbidden to sell mixed flours containing more than 50 per cent of wheat flour to any person unless the amount of wheat flour substitutes sold is sufficient to make the total amount of substitutes, including those mixed in flours, equal to the total amount in wheat flour in the mixed flour. For instance if any mixed flour is purchased containing 60 per cent wheat flour and 40 per cent substitutes it is necessary that an additional 20 per cent of substitutes be purchased. This brings it to the basis of one pound of substitutes for each pound of wheat flour.

A special exemption may be granted upon application in the case of specially prepared infants' and invalids' food containing flour where the necessity is shown.

Some misunderstanding seems to exist on the part of consumers in assuming that with the purchase of wheat flour one must confine the additional 50 per cent purchase to one of the substitutes. This is not the case. One may select from the entire range of substitutes a sufficient amount of each to bring the total weight of all substitutes equal to the weight of the wheat flour purchased. For instance, if a purchase of 24 pounds of wheat flour is made a range of substitutes may be selected as follows:

Cornmeal, 8 pounds; corn grits, 4 pounds; rice, 4 pounds; buckwheat, 2 pounds; corn starch, 1 pound; hominy, 2 pounds; rolled oats, 3 pounds.

These substitutes may be used in the following manner:

Cornmeal, 8 Pounds.—Corn bread, no flour; corn muffins or spoon bread, one-fourth flour or one-third rice or one-third hominy; 20 per cent substitutes in whole bread.

Corn Starch, 1 Pound.—Thickening gravy, making custard, one-third substitute in cake.

Corn Grits, 4 Pounds.—Fried like mush, used with meal in making corn bread.

Roll'd Oats, 3 Pounds.—One-fourth to one-third substitutes in bread, one-half substitute in muffins; breakfast porridge, use freely; oatmeal cookies, oatmeal soup.

Buckwheat Flour, 2 Pounds.—One-fourth substitute in bread, buckwheat cakes.

Hominy, 2 Pounds.—Boiled for dinner, baked for dinner, with cheese sauce.

Rice, 4 Pounds.—One-fourth substitute in wheat bread, one-third substitute in corn bread, boiled for dinner (a bread cut), as a breakfast food, to thicken soups, rice pudding instead of cake or pie, rice batter cakes.

Several grocers have stated that their customers who strictly observe the 11 wheatless meals each week find it necessary to buy substitutes in addition to those ordered under the 50-50 plan.

Give Children Toys That Teach.

Toys which develop the imagination are better than intricate mechanical toys and elaborately dressed dolls. Next to a ball the very best plaything is a set of blocks, which is capable of being transformed into anything desired from a train of cars to a pigeon house. Give a boy of five a hammer, some nails and a few pieces of wood and see what he can make—the results are often surprising. Children love to create, and the toys which they have made themselves will give a more lasting pleasure than the usual elaborately plaything bought ready-made.

Cannot Grow Coffee in Europe.

Attempts were made by the Dutch to introduce coffee cultivation in Europe, but without success, as the climatic conditions were not favorable. A number of plants were raised in the hothouses of the botanical gardens at Amsterdam, and the mayor of that city sent some of these plants as a present to King Louis XIV of France, who had them cared for in the hothouses of the "Jardine des Plantes" in Paris, where they yielded several crops.

Where Diamonds Come From.

In the great diamond fields of South Africa the stones are found in what are called "pipes," round or oval stems, of a peculiar sort of rock, several acres in extent at the top and running down to unknown depths. Near the surface this rock, rich in iron, is disintegrated by exposure to the weather and assumes a yellowish color. The precious gems are readily extracted from the friable rock.

Birds' Sweet Songs.

The bluebird, who lives by the side of a purring brook, has a tinkling voice that reminds one of running water. The bobolink, who will have no home but a meadow, showers down a cascade of melody that he has caught from the breezes sighing through a sea of grass or clover-heads. And, in like manner, "Fasser domesticus," as ornithologists call the grimy little British sparrow, has tuned his vocal chords to the clatter of hoofs over cobblestones, the roar of the elevated, policemen's whistles and other barbaric sounds.

Beware of the "Kissing Palm!"

A correspondent tells us of a wonderful plant, called the "kissing palm," which has the curious and sometimes embarrassing effect of filling all persons who come near it with an irresistible desire to kiss each other. "It is not a bit of good trying to resist its power," he says; "you simply must kiss everybody near you, regardless of age, sex or looks." A dangerous plant this—not at all the kind of thing to have in a respectable house.

Discipline.

Know you not that our business here is a warfare, and one must watch, and one go out as a spy, and one must fight? You neglect to do the bidding of the commander, and complain when he hath laid somewhat rougher than common upon you, and you mark not what, so far as in you lies, you are making the army to become, so that if all copy you, none will dig a trench, none will cast up a rampart, none will march, none will run any risk, but each will appear worthless for warfare.—Epictetus.

Length of Lobsters.

Whatever may be the excellent intent of the bill filed in the Massachusetts legislature reducing the length of lobsters that may be legally taken from 9 to 8 inches, the measure might well be entitled a bill to further the extermination of the lobster. The lobster is rapidly disappearing, partly, at any rate, because young and immature specimens are permitted by law to be caught. The present 9 inches in this state is shorter than the Maine law allows—and that is none too long.—Boston Post.

"Do you remember them moth balls rez sold me to kill moths wid?" said Casey to the druggist. "Well, I'm tellin' rez they're no good. Ol' broke tin 'shillin's' worth of chiny and winders throwin' them little balls or the plaguey things, and niver killed wan!"—London Tit-Bits.



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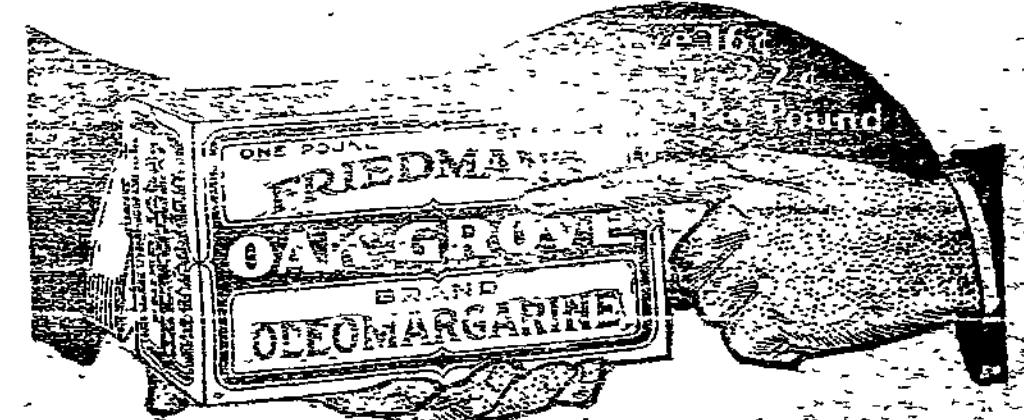
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